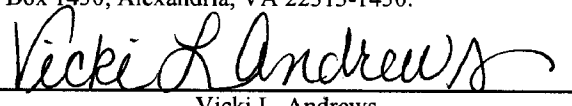


**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Patent Application of:	Group Art Unit: 1616
Applicant: Michel J.N. Cormier <i>et al.</i>	Examiner: Alstrum Acevedo, James Henry
Serial No.: 10/608,304	WSGR Reference No.: 33392-714.201
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Title: Transdermal Drug Delivery Devices Having Coated Microprotrusions	<div style="text-align: center;"><u>Certificate of Electronic Filing</u></div> <p>I hereby certify that the attached Response to Final Office Action and RCE and all marked attachments are being deposited by Electronic Filing on May 10, 2007 by using the EFS – Web patent filing system and addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.</p> <p>By:  Vicki L. Andrews</p>

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION AND  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**

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Sir:

This is a response to the Office Communication mailed January 10, 2007. The one-month extended deadline for filing a response is May 10, 2007. Applicants submit herewith a one-month Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fees. Therefore, Applicants believe that this response is being timely filed. Applicants also submit herewith a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and the appropriate fee. The RCE is submitted to allow entry and consideration of the above amendments. Applicants believe that the fees submitted herewith are sufficient. However, in the event that Applicants are incorrect in their assumption, please charge any necessary fee to Deposit Account No. 23-2415, referencing Docket No. 33392-714.201.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 7 of this paper.

**Conclusion** is on page 13 of this paper.